

**The Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met in the Conference Room located adjacent to 55 Cedar Street, Providence, RI on Tuesday, August 2, 2005 at 1:00 PM. Present were Chairman Farrell, Vice Chairman Coutu and Commissioners Richards, Blackburn, Preiss, Newbrook, Burlingame and Filippi. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey, Esq. and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following appeals were considered.**

**Appeal # 050483: Mr. Kevin Cleary for the property located at 65 Union Avenue in Harrisville. Deputy State Fire Marshal Joseph Barroso appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Coutu, to grant a variance not to install a fire alarm system in this salt storage facility, which has no electricity. The State Fire Marshal's office had no objection and the motion was unanimous.**

**Appeal #040197: Vincent Rinaldi, Esq. and Joseph Iacofano for the property located at 1900 Mineral Spring Avenue in North Providence. Marshal Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to grant the following relief. The Applicant was granted a time variance of two (2) weeks in which to have compliant CO detection installed and tested in this facility. A time variance of thirty (30) days was granted in which to have a contract in place and plans submitted for a compliant fire alarm system and fire**

**drill switch. This system will be installed within 120 days from the date of this hearing; if not, a fire fighter detail, at the building owner's expense, will be in place until said system is installed and tested. The motion was unanimous.**

**Appeal #0504842: Mr. Richard Mancini and Mr. William Ferguson for the property located at Washington Square in Newport. Chief Deputy Richard James appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Coutu made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to reinstate the previously granted variance to locate a pull station in the reception area, and a time variance of one year in which to upgrade the fire alarm system in this facility. The motion was unanimous.**

**Appeal #040185: Mr. John Caron and Ms. Ann Wojciechowski for the property located at 366 Main Street in Wakefield. ADSFM Robert Emmott appeared for the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's office. A motion was made by Commissioner Preiss, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to reinstate the previously granted variances. The motion was unanimous, and the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's office had no objection.**

**Appeal #040174: Atty. Matthew Callahan and Mrs. Dianne Browning for the property located at 521 Main Street in South Kingstown. Marshal Robert Emmott appeared for the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that a subcommittee of the Board**

would perform an on-site inspection of this facility on Monday, August 22, 2005 and report their findings to the Board on Tuesday, August 23, 2005. No further action was taken at this time.

**Appeal #050533:** Mirlen Martinez, Esq. for the property located at One Old Ferry Road in Bristol (Roger Williams University parking garage). Chief Robert Martin appeared for the Bristol Fire Marshal's office and Marshal Irving Owens and Chief Deputy Richard James appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richards, to grant a time variance of 120 days in which to install a fire alarm, and the authority for the Bristol Fire Marshal's office in conjunction with the State Fire Marshal's office to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy when the AHJ(s) is satisfied that all fire protection systems are in place in the parking garage. The motion was unanimous.

Under old business, Virginia Branch appeared for the property located at 115 Empire Street in Providence. ADSFM Daniel Isles appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. A motion was made by Commissioner Newbrook and seconded by Vice Chairman Coutu, to give the Providence Fire Marshal's office the ability to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy for this facility when he is satisfied that all fire protection systems are in place in this facility. The motion was unanimous.

The Property Advisory Group requested approval of their plan of

**action for the properties listed in their appeal. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion for approval, seconded by Commissioner Richards. The motion was unanimous.**

**Mr. Kevin Culley appeared for the University of Rhode Island. Marshal Irving Owens and Chief of Inspections William Howe appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. The Board voted to approve the University's plan of action for the upgrades in the dormitories listed in their plan of action. The Board did not approve the University's requested relief for their plan of action for the fire alarm/security devices on the exit doors in the dormitories.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Carol Marsella**